

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:152

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AIDS CASES

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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government are aware that there has been an unprecedented increase in the number of AIDS/HIV cases in the country;
- (b) if so, the cases of AIDS, state-wise;
- (c) whether any special scheme for creating awareness has been prepared to control such diseases in these States; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. RITA VERMA)

(a)to(d): A statement is laid on the table of the Lok Sabha.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 152 FOR 28.11.2001.

(a)&(b): The nationwide HIV sentinel surveillance conducted during the year 1998, 1999 and 2000 revealed that there is no upsurge in spread of HIV infection in the country. The estimated number of HIV infections was 3.5 million in year 1998, 3.71 million in 1999 and 3.86 million in 2000. Statewise reported cumulative number of AIDS cases is annexed.

(c)&(d): The Government of India is implementing a comprehensive National AIDS Control Programme in all States/UTs which gives the highest priority to an effective and sustained strategy to bring about changes in behaviour to prevent further spread of HIV infection. For an effective Information, Education & Communication (IEC), a full range of activities and approaches from mass media campaigns for public education to the use of targeted interventions to help individuals negotiate safer practices is being used. Information, Education & Communication (IEC) programmes have also been integrated in various components of the programme such as control of Sexually Transmitted Diseases, Condom programming and Blood safety.

The Information, Education & Communication (IEC) strategy is operationalised at two levels. At the national level, implementation of the IEC strategy involves political and media advocacy, social mobilization, creation of a supportive environment for people living with HIV/AIDS that reduces social stigma and discrimination for better access to services.

At the State level, Information, Education & Communication (IEC) activities are being undertaken by the State AIDS Control Societies to respond to local priorities and communication in local languages. Nationwide Family Health Awareness campaigns are being implemented by State/UTs to generate awareness among general population and vulnerable segments of the population about Sexually Transmitted diseases and HIV/AIDS.

ANNEXURE

REPORTED NO. OF AIDS CASES DURING THE LAST THREE YEARS (1998-2000)

S.No	State	1998	1999	2000
1.	A&N Island	0	0	9
2.	Andhra Pradesh	7	2	485
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	0	0	0

4.	Assam	3	11	62
5.	Bihar	0	0	36
6.	Chandigarh	0	124	114
7	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	0	0	0
8.	Daman & Diu	1	0	0
9.	Delhi	13	0	64
10.	Goa	0	7	10
11.	Gujarat	2	1	245
12.	Haryana	0	0	47
13.	Himachal Pradesh	0	16	15
14.	Jammu & Kashmir	0	0	0
15.	Karnataka	39	47	541
16.	Kerala	1	0	56
17.	Lakshadweep	0	0	0
18.	Madhya Pradesh	76	116	294
19.	Maharashtra	824	64	348
20.	Manipur	0	61	364
21.	Meghalaya	0	0	0
22.	Mizoram	0	7	3
23.	Nagaland	0	19	51
24.	Orissa	0	0	52
25.	Pondicherry	9	0	0
26.	Punjab	48	52	31
27.	Rajasthan	25	27	106
28.	Sikkim	1	0	0
29.	Tamil Nadu	532	2730	4206
30.	Tripura	0	0	0
31.	Uttar Pradesh	16	41	93
32.	West Bengal	0	0	0
33.	Ahmedabad M.C.	0	0	0

Total	1597	3325	7232
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